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radio when it comes abreast of any of the bridge whistle signs.

(b) The signs referred to in paragraph (a) of this section shall be placed at distances varying between 550 m and 2,990 m upstream and downstream from moveable bridges at sites other than lock sites.

(68 Stat. 93–96, 33 U.S.C. 981–990, as amended and secs. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13 of sec. 2 of Pub. L. 95–474, 92 Stat. 1471)

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§401.52 Limit of approach to a bridge.

- (a) No vessel shall pass the limit of approach sign at any movable bridge until the bridge is in a fully open position and the signal light shows green.
- (b) No vessel shall pass the limit of approach sign at the twin Railway Bridges on the South Shore Canal at Kahnawake or at Bridges 20 and 21 on the Welland Canal, until both bridges are in a fully open position and both signal lights show green.

 $[39\ FR\ 10900,\ Mar.\ 22,\ 1974,\ as\ amended\ at\ 61\ FR\ 19551,\ May\ 2,\ 1996]$

§401.53 Obstructing navigation.

No vessel shall be operated, drop anchor or be fastened or moored in a manner that obstructs or hinders navigation.

§ 401.54 Interference with navigation aids.

- (a) Aids to navigation shall not be interfered with or moored to.
- (b) No person shall, unless authorized by the Corporation or the Authority, set out buoys or navigation markers on the Seaway.

§ 401.55 Searchlights.

No searchlight shall be used in such a manner that its rays interfere with the operators at a Seaway structure or on any vessel.

§ 401.56 Damaging or defacing Seaway property.

The master of every vessel shall:

(a) Navigate so as to avoid damage to Seaway property; and

(b) Prevent defacement of Seaway property by any member of the vessel's crew.

§401.57 Disembarking or boarding.

- (a) Except as authorized by an officer, no person, other than a member of the crew of a vessel passing through, shall disembark or board any vessel while the vessel is passing through.
- (b) No member of the crew of a vessel passing through shall disembark or board except for the purpose of carrying out essential duties as directed by the Master.

§401.58 Pleasure craft scheduling.

The transit of pleasure craft shall be scheduled by the vessel traffic controller or the officer in charge of a lock and may be delayed so as to avoid interference with other vessels.

§ 401.59 Pollution.

- (a) No vessel shall:
- (1) Emit sparks or excessive smoke; or
- (2) Blow boiler tubes.
- (b) No vessel shall discharge into Seaway waters any substance not in conformity with applicable United States Federal Regulations and Canadian Regulations with the exception of the waters of the Welland Canal where two specific zones are established in which no substances shall be discharged, namely,
- (1) From Lock 7 (Thorold) to mile 17 (Welland); and
- (2) From Lock 8 (Port Colborne) to the outer Port Colborne Piers (Lake Erie).
- (c) A record shall be kept of each location within the Seaway or adjacent waters where bilge water has been discharged.
- (d) Except as authorized by the Corporation or the Authority, no vessel shall discharge garbage, ashes, ordure, litter or other materials.

(68 Stat. 93–96, 33 U.S.C. 981–990, as amended and secs. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13 of sec. 2 of Pub. L. 95–474, 92 Stat. 1471)

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